

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: ) Examiner: Not Assigned Yet  
Goldman, et al.. ) Group Art Unit: Not Assigned Yet  
Serial No.: Not Assigned Yet )  
Filed: April 23, 2001 ) Date: April 23, 2001  
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ) Express Mail Label: EL 737699341 US  
APPLYING ENERGY TO )  
BIOLOGICAL TISSUE INCLUDING )  
THE USE OF TUMESCENT TISSUE )  
COMPRESSION )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The present application is a divisional application of application no. 09/267,127. Before examination of the present continuation application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following paragraph in place of the first paragraph of the specification at page 1, line 1:

This application is a divisional application of application no. 09/267,127 filed March 10, 1999, which is a CIP of 09/138,472, filed August 21, 1998, now Patent No. 6,179,832 which is a CIP of 08/927,251 filed on September 11, 1997, now Patent No. 6,200,312.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-39

the prior art

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests early examination and favorable consideration of the present application, as amended, at an early date. If the Examiner has any questions regarding any of the foregoing, kindly telephone the undersigned.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. That attached page is captioned "Version With Markings To Show Changes Made".

Please charge any further fees payable in connection with this Amendment to our Deposit Account No. 06-2425.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES**

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[This is a continuation-in-part of co-pending application no. 08/927,251, filed on September 11, 1997 and co-pending application no. 09/138,472 filed on August 21, 1998.]